

BOARD OF LICENSURE OF FORESTERS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 4, 2005

BOARD: Board of Licensure of Foresters

DATE: February 4, 2005

ROOM: Central Conference Room

LOCATION: Department of Professional & Financial Regulation

TIME

SCHEDULED: 8:00 A.M.

TIME CALLED

TO ORDER: 8:30 A.M.

ADJOURN: 10:40 A.M.

CHAIR: William Ostrofsky

VICE-CHAIR: Sumner A. Jones, Jr.

BOARD CLERK: Susan Greenlaw

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Ostrofsky, Stephen Holt, Hon. Sumner A. Jones Jr., Rene Noel Jr., Carol Redelsheimer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Deborah Fales, Board Clerk; Carol Leighton, Administrator; Robert Perkins, Assistant Attorney General

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Members agreed to add the following:

- March exam proctor/grader

OLD BUSINESS

Action on minutes of December 21, 2004 meeting

A motion was made by Rene Noel and seconded by Sumner Jones to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2004 meeting as written. Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Officers

A motion was made by Carol Redelsheimer and seconded by Rene Noel to table elections until new members have been appointed. Since there are members who have not been reappointed, the Board feels that it is inappropriate to hold elections at this time. Unanimous.

Review and Action on Applications

APPLICANT	TYPE	HOW QUALIFYING	OTHER INFO.	RECOMMENDATION	BOARD ACTION
Timothy R. Nolin	Forester	Board approved 24 month internship effective 04/05/02 – Intern Forester to present date	Notified Board on 11/22/04 that internship had been completed	Exam	Approved. Motion by Holt; seconded by Ostrofsky. Unanimous.
Bart Plourde	Forester	Board approved 24 month internship effective 10/15/02 – Intern Forester to present date	Notified Board on 10/27/04 that internship had been completed	Exam	Approved. Motion by Noel; seconded by Jones. Unanimous.

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Review and Action on Continuing Education Deferment Requests

LICENSEE	NATURE	BOARD DECISION	OTHER	ACTION
Lauri J. Noel	Due to health, divorce, housing arrangements and employment issues, she is requesting an extension to meet the terms of the c.e. requirement.	Continuing education requirement must be completed by		Noel recused and left the room. Motion by Redelsheimer; seconded by Jones to grant the deferment and require notice of completion of 12 hours on or before 12/31/06. Holt, Jones, Ostrofsky, Redelsheimer voted in the affirmative; none opposed. Motion carried.

Complaint Officer's Report

#FOR-040 – Action on letter: The licensee submitted a request to amend the Consent Agreement to allow additional time to complete the continuing education required. A motion was made by Rene Noel and seconded by Holt to notify the licensee that the Consent Agreement stands as offered. Holt, Jones, and Noel voted in the affirmative; none opposed; Ostrofsky and Redelsheimer abstained. Motion carried.

Review and Action on Continuing Education

NAME OF PROGRAM	SPONSOR	DATES	HOURS APPROVED CATEGORY	BOARD ACTION
NER.COFE Workshop Improving Efficiency in Forest Operations	NER.COFE	March 7, 2005	4 Category 2	Motion by Redelsheimer; seconded by Noel. Jones, Noel, Redelsheimer voted in the affirmative; Holt opposed; Ostrofsky abstained. Motion carried.
New England Forestry in the World Market	NER.COFE	March 8, 2005	3.5 Category 1	Motion by Noel; seconded by Redelsheimer; Jones, Noel, Redelsheimer voted in the affirmative; Holt opposed; Ostrofsky abstained. Motion carried.

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Hearing – Eugene Putnam (Complaint #FOR-039)

The hearing was continued to February 9, 2005 at 8:30 a.m.

Administrator's Report

Carol Leighton provided a Legislative update. Members have received copies of several proposals relating to forestry.

Board Member Appointments – members expressed their concerns regarding appointments and reappointments to the Board.

Next Meeting Scheduled for April 27, 2005

OTHER BUSINESS

Continuing Education Audit – audit notices shall be sent to 5% of the licensees.

March exam:

Proctor - Holt

Grader – Redelsheimer

ADJOURN

Being no further board business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Greenlaw
Board Clerk